



Wildflower Hotspot #2

WHERE:

Alabama Hills Special Recreation Management Area, BLM Bishop Field Office.

WILDFLOWERS TO SEE:

Tidy tips (*Layia glandulosa*) - **White flower with notched petals and yellow center (*)**

Bud eriophyllum (*Eriophyllum pringlei*) - **Tiny yellow flower nestled in a base of fuzzy, wedge-shaped leaves (*)**

Showy gilia (*Gilia cana* ssp. *triceps*) - **Deep lavender five-petaled flower with bluish throat. Leaves are in a basal cluster (*)**

Sand blossom (*Linanthus parryae*) - **Lavender and white low-growing 5-petaled flowers (*)**

Yellow throats (*Phacelia fremontii*) - **Pink low-growing flowers with bright yellow throats and scalloped leaves (*)**

Site Legend:

* Rocky/drier upland site
~ Wet spring/meadow site

WHEN TO GO: April - May

HOW TO GET THERE: From U.S. Hwy. 395 in Lone Pine, take the Mt. Whitney Portal Road west approximately 1 mile until you begin entering the dramatic granitic outcrops that characterize the Alabama Hills. You can stop anywhere you find an appropriate pull-out.

MORE WILDFLOWERS TO SEE:

Inyo bush lupine (*Lupinus excubitus* var. *excubitus*) - **Shrub with silvery, hairy leaves and bright blue, pea-like flowers (*)**

Brittle bush (*Encelia actoni*) - **Shrub with silvery-grey leaves and yellow flowers borne on light colored, woody stems (*)**

Scarlet locoweed (*Astragalus coccinius*) – **Low-growing deep red, fluted flower with oval, fuzzy leaves. (*)**

Apricot globe mallow (*Sphaeralcea ambigua*) - **Apricot or salmon colored flowers on stalks with lobed leaves that are finely covered with star-shaped hairs (*)**

Yellow turbans (*Eriogonum pusillum*) - **Tiny bright yellow flowers on thinly branched stems. Leaves are basal and slightly hairy below (*)**

Evening snow (*Linanthus dichotomus*) – **White five-petaled flower. Flowers are very fragrant and open during early evening and morning hours. (*)**

Please do not pick the flowers! Leave them for others to enjoy.

In cooperation with the Eastern Sierra Interpretive Association and the California Native Plant Society (Bristlecone Chapter).



For more information on where to see wildflowers and what's blooming, contact the BLM Bishop Field Office botanist at (760) 872-5035.